

## NEW YORK CHURCHES.

Trinity and the Land It Occupies  
Valued at \$12,500,000.

Trinity church is valued at \$12,500,000. This estimate includes the land occupied by the churchyard. It is in the most valuable part of New York. If not in the most valuable division of property in the world.

St. Paul's church is valued at \$5,500,000.

Grace church, at what was once described as the head of Broadway, is valued at \$650,000.

The First Presbyterian church, on Fifth avenue, between Eleventh and Twelfth streets, is valued at \$750,000.

St. Mark's church, on Second avenue, an old landmark in that neighborhood, is valued at \$275,000.

The Marble Collegiate church, Fifth avenue and Twenty-ninth street, is valued at \$1,000,000.

The Church of St. Paul the Apostle (the Paulist church), at Fifty-ninth street and Columbus avenue, is valued at \$700,000.

The West Presbyterian church, on West Forty-second street, is valued at \$450,000. St. Thomas' at \$1,700,000 and the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian church, 9 and 11 West Fifty-ninth street, at \$1,000,000.

The valuation of the Temple Emanuel is \$1,530,000, of St. Patrick's cathedral \$6,000,000, of the First Jewish synagogue \$300,000, of the Temple Beth-El, at the corner of Fifth avenue and Seventy-sixth street, \$1,300,000, of the Broadway Tabernacle, Broadway and Fifty-sixth street, \$700,000 and of the Christian Scientist church, Central Park West and Sixty-eighth street, \$300,000.—New York Sun.

## PRACTICAL PICTURES.

Odd Parlor Ornaments and a Very Substantial Dinner.

There is a practical minded millionaire who has invented a substitute for valuable pictures which it is hoped will not commend itself to others. He has had a large number of bank notes framed, and these are hung upon the wall where the pictures should be.

In the drawing room is one frame that contains a bank note for \$100,000, and he says: "There is the money in case I find a picture which is sufficiently valuable to pay that price for it. Meanwhile the note tells its own tale and saves me from explaining to my visitors that 'this picture cost so much,' as most other rich men do."

"The chief pleasure of these collectors appears to arise not from the beauty of the work, but from the cost of it; then why not have checks or bank notes for a large sum hung on the walls, as I do? Besides, I find that it is much more interesting to my visitors, for most of them look long and carefully at the bank notes who would but glance at the work of art."

This eccentric man gave a dinner on the same principle. In the soup plates there was no soup, but sovereigns; for fish were served five-pound notes, for game cheeks and for sweets shares in a thriving company, and there was not a guest who did not enjoy this entertainment more than any he or she had ever before been present at.—London Truth.

## Dean Swift on Spelling.

Dean Swift roundly denounced the poets of his day who had introduced the "barbarous custom of abbreviating words to fit them to the measure of their verses." Swift instances "drudg'd" and "disturb'd" as mortal offenses. The custom so introduced had begun to dominate prose. Another cause—borrowed, Swift suggested, from the clipping process—which he held had contributed to the maiming of the language, "is a foolish opinion advanced of late years that we ought to spell exactly as we speak; which, besides the obvious inconvenience of utterly destroying our etymology, would be a thing we should never see the end of."

## Risks in Railway Journeys.

The idea that the man who goes on a railway journey takes his life in his hand and is rather more likely than not to meet with an untimely death at the first curve the train negotiates is scarcely borne out by the fact that the chances against any one passenger meeting his death on the railway are 35,000,000 to 1. This immunity from disaster reflects considerable credit upon the companies, but still more upon engine drivers and signalmen, whose skill and care are the main factors in the safety of the passenger.—London Court Journal.

## Reason.

Reason, reason as much as you like, but beware of thinking that it answers to everything, suffices for everything, satisfies everything. This mother loses her child. Will reason comfort her? Does cold reason counsel the inspired poet, the heroic warrior, the lover? Reason guides but a small part of many, and that is the least interesting. The rest obey feeling, true or false, and passion, good or bad.

## Taking Him Down.

"Critick was pleased to say that my play had few equals as a bit of realism," remarked young De Riter.

"He said even more than that," said Pepprey.

"Indeed?"

"Yes," he added, "and positively no inferiors."—Exchange.

## Carelessness Somewhere.

Gladys—Mamma can't see anybody today. She's upstairs with the new baby. You see, they sent her a girl when she'd ordered a boy, and she's so disappointed she's sick.—Puck.

The men who go through life with caps on their shoulders always avoid meeting the right man.—New York News.

## THE AMERICAN BISON.

Millions of Buffaloes Once Ranged the Western Plains.

The early explorers who describe the buffalo numbers do not give us anything more exact than superlative expressions, such as "countless herds," "incredible numbers," "teeming myriads," "the world one robe," etc. I have endeavored to get at a more exact idea of their numbers.

The total area inhabited by the buffalo was about 3,000,000 square miles. Of this the open plains were one-half. According to the figures supplied me by A. F. Potter of the forest service, the ranges of the Dakotas, Montana, Wyoming, Nebraska, Kansas, Colorado, Texas and Oklahoma (a total of about 750,000 square miles, or half of the plains) were, according to the census of 1900, carrying 24,000,000 head of cattle and horses and about 6,000,000 head of sheep. This means that when fully stocked they might sustain a number of buffalo at least equal to the number of cattle and horses. The buffalo had to divide their heritage with numerous herds of mustang, antelope and wapiti. On the other hand, a buffalo could find a living where a range animal would starve, many of the richest bottom lands are now fenced in, and we have taken no account of the 6,000,000 sheep. Therefore we are safe in placing at 40,000,000 the buffalo formerly living on the entire plains area.

Their prairie range was a third as large, but it was vastly more fertile—indeed, the stockmen reckon one prairie acre equal to four acres on the plains. Doubtless, therefore, the prairies sustained nearly as many head as the plains. We may safely set their population at 30,000,000. The forest region was the lowest in the rate of population. For its 1,000,000 square miles we should not allow more than 5,000,000 buffalo. These figures would make the primitive number of buffalo 75,000,000.

Many other calculations based on different data give similar or slightly lower totals. From these facts it will appear very safe to put the primitive buffalo population at 50,000,000 to 60,000,000.—Ernest Thompson Seton in Scribner's.

## JUSTICE OF THE HEARTH.

A Standard That Might Well Be Adopted by All Society.

Over the dinner table a husband was telling his wife of the financial misdealings of one of their social acquaintances, a wealthy and popular man. He had contrived the ruin of a certain company and its subsequent reorganization, a process which had put money into his pocket and taken money from innocent stockholders.

The husband touched the facts lightly, because he thought that a woman could not be interested in them or understand them in detail. This woman's understanding throughout her husband's narrative was occupied with one or two simple questions.

"Is he to be punished?" she asked.

"Punished? How? His conscience won't punish him—indeed, he probably thinks he has obeyed the rules of business. The law technically is broad enough to cover his case, but it is hard to get evidence. You see, the district attorney must—"

"Excuse me for interrupting, dear. Explain that to me later. I think we shall not dine there next Wednesday. I will write a note to Mrs. Berry."

"Not dine there? Why not?"

"Because he is not a fit man to receive in our house or for us to visit."

"But nonsense! He's just as good a fellow, just as respectable!"

"One minute. By your own words you prove that he is a wicked man, taking what is not his. I listened to your story until there could be no doubt that you yourself condemned him by the facts, which I do not understand. If what you say is true he and I meet no more as equals."

And her judgment stood. Of course her neighbors and friends pursued the usual course of accepting a man in social relations whom their husbands distrusted in business.

But the standard of the hearthstone—shall it not some day be the standard of all society?—Youth's Companion.

## "Dead" Leaves Not Dead.

Leaves do not fall from the tree because they are "dead," which we may take as equivalent to saying because they are no longer receiving the constituents of their being from the sap and from the air, but as a consequence of a process of growth which develops just at the junction of the leaf stem with the more permanent portion of the tree, certain corklike cells which have very little adhesion, so that the leaf is very liable to be broken away by influences of wind and changes of temperature and of moisture.

## His Guess.

"What would you do if you had a million dollars handed you?"

"Well, of course I can't say precisely, but the probabilities are that I'd become mean and greedy, break away from all my old friends and put in the rest of my life trying to skin mankind out of another million."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

## Struggling a Saint.

"Fifteen years ago," said the aged brother, addressing the congregation, "I gladly gave my heart to the Lord."

"And that's the only cheerful gift he ever made," whispered the deacon whose business it was to collect the annual subscriptions.

Boldness is ever blind, therefore it is ill in counsel, but good in execution.—Bacon.

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Most advertising claims are mere exaggeration, and a discriminating public certainly cannot be blamed for accepting such statements with little faith—but we respectfully suggest that there are some stores that hold truth above other considerations, and we trust that investigation will place us in this latter class.

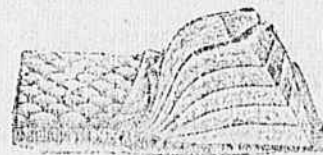
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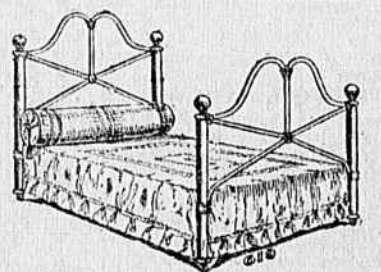
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### WOMEN HURT IN PANIC

In Wild Scramble to Get Bargains Many are Trampled Upon.

### LOST BILL STARTED EXCITEMENT

Cry of Pickpocket Adds to Turmoil in the Crowded Store—Little Children Thrown Under Foot by Terrorized Shoppers.

(By Associated Press.)  
LOUISVILLE, KY., Oct. 20.—Twelve persons were injured in a panic during a bargain sale at a store here today. The most seriously hurt are:

Mrs. George Williams, arm broken. Lillian Williams, her 12 year old daughter.

Miss Ray Brashear.

Mrs. Lena Foreman.

Fully two thousand persons were in the store, attracted by a cut rate sale of china ware of trivial value.

During the rush for the counters in the rear of the establishment where the bargains were on display, there was a cry of "there's a \$5 bill on the floor" by some person evidently facetiously inclined.

Many persons bent over to pick up the bill and in the wild scramble that ensued women and children were thrown from their feet and trod on. Others were thrown over and crushed against the counters.

A cry of "thief" by a woman whose pocketbook had been snatched increased the excitement.

### NAVAL PRISON WANTED.

Department May Erect One at the Portsmouth Yard.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Oct. 20.—Rear Admiral Thomas, superintendent of the

Naval Training Service, has recommended the building of a naval prison near Norfolk, Va., and the judge advocate general has joined in the recommendation.

It is planned to have an institution similar to that in the navy yard at Portsmouth, N. H. It would be used exclusively for men awaiting sentence of transfer to some other prison.

### CRIMINAL LIBEL CHARGED.

Philadelphia Contractor Calls for Arrest of Reformer.

(By Associated Press.)  
PHILADELPHIA, PA., Oct. 20.—Counsel representing State Senator James P. McNichol, of this city, today obtained a warrant for the arrest of Lewis Emery, Jr., fusion candidate for governor of Pennsylvania, on a charge of criminal libel.

Counsel at the time entered a civil suit for slander against Mr. Emery asking \$250,000 damages. Mr. Emery will not be taken into custody.

The libel charges grew out of a speech delivered by Mr. Emery last Monday, in which he charged Senator McNichol with bribing five Democratic members of the legislature in 1901 to vote for William T. Marshall, of Pittsburgh, for speaker of the House of Representatives and to make certain the reelection of M. S. Quay to the United States Senate.

### CANTEEN MEANS TEMPERANCE.

Rehabiles Demand the Restoration of Post Exchange.

(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 20.—Action favoring the restoration of the "canteen" to army posts and camps was taken tonight at a meeting of Advance Tent, Independent Order of Rechabites, the oldest temperance society in the United States.

It was explained that a test of the matter had been made, and that the abolishment of the post exchange, where beer and light wines were sold, had caused the multiplication of drinking resorts in the vicinity of military posts, which had resulted in severe breaches of military discipline, the cultivation of habitual drunkenness, disorder, crime and desertions. The matter is to be taken up by other tents of the organization.

### KILLED BY SEASICKNESS

Negro Sailor on Steamer Bay State Died During Storm.

### VERDICT OF CORONER'S JURY

Shipmates of Jake Smith Say He Became Dreadfully Sick and Died Suddenly While Vessel Was Looking for Berkshire.

After spending two days and nights vainly searching for the missing barge Berkshire, the whaleback coal steamer Bay State returned to port yesterday morning with her flag at half-mast. The flag was half-masted for Jake Smith, a young negro sailor who died Friday from seasickness.

Upon the arrival of the ship, the authorities were notified of the negro's death and the case being such an unusual one, Dr. B. R. Gary, the coroner, decided to hold an inquest. The jury, after hearing the testimony of Captain Pederson and other members of his crew on board the Bay State, returned a verdict to the effect that the deceased came to his death from seasickness.

The negro shipped on the Bay State Wednesday and it is understood that he had not been to sea before. It was terribly rough at sea and during the two days and nights the Bay State was out every member of the crew led a strenuous existence. Although the Berkshire was found below Cape Henry by the Bay Port, she was supposed to be northwest of Cape Charles and the Bay State did not get near her.

According to the testimony of his shipmates, Jones became dreadfully sea-sick Friday and died rather suddenly.

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### Social--Personal

Mrs. Dawson E. Watkins, of Richmond, is the guest of her sisters, Mesdames John N. Martin and H. E. Boykin at their home, 127 Thirty-first street.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gutierrez left yesterday to spend ten days in Boston and other cities.

Miss Drue Gatewood is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Gatewood, in Richmond.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Cannon have returned from their honeymoon and are now at home to their friends in this city.

Mrs. W. R. Blakeslee of New York city, arrived here yesterday to spend several weeks with her father, Mr. R. S. Ellyson, on Twenty-ninth street.

### Will Hold a Fair.

The Ladies Aid Society of the First Presbyterian church is making extensive preparations for a fair to be held the last week in November for the benefit of the building fund.

### Louisiana Off.

The United States battleship Louisiana has completed loading bunker coal at this port and has gone to New York for repairs, preparatory to her final forty-eight hours' endurance run.

Madame Boques, a Cook, is Dead.

(By Associated Press.)  
NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 20.—Madame Boques, for fifty years one of the most famous cooks in the United States, died last night.

### To the Cigar Smokers.

Johnson Specials, Cremos, George W. Childs, El Capitan, General, all five cent straight brands, now seven for twenty-five cents. Lillian Russell and James G. Blaine, the five cent kind, now three for ten cents. Hull's Cut Rate Drug Store.